

# How To Use

# **QUIKPRO**

AUTOMATIC  
PROGRAM  
WRITERS

CREATE  
SEPARATE  
BASIC  
PROGRAMS  
FOR YOU



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*Personal Message to Microcomputer  
owners from Joseph W. Tamargo,  
President of FUTURESOFT...*

I want to tell you why I have chosen to send you an actual condensation of the Operating Instructions of our exciting and unique *QUIKPRO* which writes programs for you.

I fully realize as you do that most sources require you to pay \$10 and even more for an Operating Manual before you ever see the actual program or get a chance to use it.

I don't do business that way. Instead, I want to provide you with a good first hand look at just how you can personally use this remarkable program, *QUIKPRO*, on your microcomputer and save yourself hundreds of dollars and hundreds of hours.

With this Condensed Instruction Manual, you can have everything but a 'hands-on' demonstration, without cost or any kind of obligation. I believe that's how it ought to be done and I try my best to make it as easy as possible, and as reasonable as possible, for you to make an intelligent decision without having to spend your money first.

Naturally, I could not afford to send the large size full manual you will receive in the handsome binder with your *QUIKPRO* Diskette. But I've done the next best thing. My technical writer has carefully condensed each full page from the Instruction Manual into a few sentences to give you a clear picture of what happens when you use *QUIKPRO* on a microcomputer.

Because of limited space, this condensed information leaves out a lot of valuable description about the enhancements put into the actual program...enhancements which may come as a very pleasant and rewarding bonus when you start operating the actual program yourself.

The purpose of all this is to introduce you to a new and better way of doing business with you...a way based on good solid advance information and our honor as a dependable source for you. In addition, giving you all this information in advance is a good way of showing how incredibly fast and flexible *QUIKPRO* is. Finally, the speed computers have always promised is a reality and you can use it yourself.



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CONDENSED  
OPERATING  
INSTRUCTIONS  
FOR.....

# QUIKPRO

TRADE MARK

## Program

### 1.

#### INTRODUCTION

The Introduction explains QUIKPRO and covers these key points in detail:

- A. Most programs have File Maintenance & Data Entry requirements.
- B. QUIKPRO eliminates tedious production of these requirements for each new custom program created.
- C. QUIKPRO provides for Data Entry, Additions, Changes and Locating Records in numerous ways you choose.
- D. QUIKPRO provides Verification features to assure accurate entry of data to your new program creation.
- E. QUIKPRO files data in ASCII Mode...no complex or exotic abbreviations needed..ordinary language... data will transfer to other computers easily.
- F. QUIKPRO instructs you...on your screen...how to create the program you want to create.
- G. EACH program you create with QUIKPRO is separate and can run alone anytime you want.
- H. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS for the program you create are written for you by QUIKPRO and written right into your new program creation. QUIKPRO will also print the Operating Instruction Manual for program.

### 2.

#### 2.0

#### STARTING QUIKPRO on your Microcomputer

QUIKPRO is matched to the BASIC language of your computer...is ready to run.

#### 2.1

TURN ON computer...Bring up BASIC. (Your owner's manual tells how in case you don't know).

### 3.

#### 3.0

#### RUNNING QUIKPRO - QUIKPRO IS MENU DRIVEN

Once you are in BASIC, you enter "QUIKMENU"

#### 3.1

MENU will appear. Select "START" and program begins.

### 4.

#### 4.0

#### USING QUIKPRO TO PRODUCE/CREATE CUSTOM NEW PROGRAMS IMMEDIATELY

After starting QUIKPRO program from the MENU, you will be able to design, on the screen, the exact Display you want in your new program...as it appears.

## QUIKPRO CONDENSED OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS, CONTINUED...

- 4.1 Anyplace on your display, you may...
  - A. Enter any: names, titles, descriptions, headings or labels you want on the file records;
  - B. Select controllable fields for input of alpha and/or numeric data to file records;
  - C. Edit and Change anything you want.
- 4.2 When you tell QUIKPRO you are satisfied with the design the next phase begins (4.3 below).
- 4.3 You tell QUIKPRO which Field will be the primary access key that you use to locate the record in the future. Any field can be the key. (Full manual gives clear and simple examples to help you).
- 4.4 You may instruct QUIKPRO to restrict certain fields to accept only numeric data, and include special Remarks or Comments for each data field.
- 4.5 You tell QUIKPRO the name you want on the File.
- 4.6 You tell QUIKPRO the name you want on the new custom program you have just created.

**IMPORTANT  
NOTICE....**



QUIKPRO asks you the right questions at each of the steps above and to follow. You know exactly what to do. You simply make choices and QUIKPRO automatically writes your new custom program.

### 5.

#### USING THE NEW PROGRAM YOU CREATED.

- 5.0 Your new program runs on your computer just like any other BASIC Program.
- 5.1 The first time you use your new program, it will ask you:
  - A. How many Records you want it to keep (maximum)
  - B. What Disk you want the File to be kept on.
- 5.2 When running your new program, you can....
  - (A) Add a File Record on the screen you designed;
  - (G) Get a Record (for updating in any fields);
  - (C) Change the Record as you please;
  - (D) Delete any Record entirely;
  - (E) End the program and go on to something else.

### 6.

#### QUIKPRO PRINTS OPERATING MANUAL.

Your new custom program will not only have its own instructions written into it, but QUIKPRO will actually produce, on your printer, a hard copy Operating Instruction manual that anyone can use to run the new program.

This ends the condensed instructions for QUIKPRO.

Now that you have read the Condensed Operating Instructions for QUIKPRO, you probably are saying to yourself..."that is great... I can create all kinds of programs to handle all kinds of file data and records just about any way I want." And of course you are right, but that isn't all of it.

People, probably just like you, are positively thrilled with what they can do with QUIKPRO...yet they want to do even more. They have called and written us and asked for more and more in the way of automatic program writing software that creates a separate Basic Program each time it is used. And we have responded with

## **QUICKPRO + PLUS**

What could we do to enhance QUIKPRO dramatically and increase its usefulness to you...? PLENTY. QUIKPRO+PLUS gives you....

**CALCUALTIONS. THE POWER TO CALCULATE** number sets in each and any file record. If you want it to, it will change the numerical data in the record. If you just want it to calculate from the data and not alter the record...you can do that. You can perform up to fifty (50) separate computations on numerical fields.

Furthermore, you can report out calculations in various arrangements, using any of the ordinary math functions, between any sets of numbers in the record. Frankly, it is hard to explain in a few words how versatile this really is. Using what we call a "screen mask" (you create) in place of the format you originally designed for your QUIKPRO written program, you actually manipulate your file data in a different manner for any purpose you choose and leave the original program fully intact. And mind you, all this power operates immediately on your command...choices displayed on your screen...with the program called QUIKPRO+PLUS actually doing the programming for you.

Beyond this virtually unlimited ability to provide calculations of data, QUIKPRO+PLUS also...

**REPORTS. PRINTS OUT ANY REPORT ON YOUR PRINTER.** You know how valuable a printed report can be. Imagine this...in minutes you have designed a new report with any column names you choose..with any calculations you might want...from any selections of records in your total file...and presto....out comes a printed report. You can print out just what the QUIKPRO written program calls for, or you can re-arrange it the way you want for one time reporting or have any number of different report formats based on the same file. Do you realize what this means...? Your ability to manipulate records and data is unlimited. The same file can be reported in all kinds of ways. The same file is manipulated...computations done...results printed... and the original records can be updated or changed or remain just as they were. You decide these choices and the remarkable program you are using...the QUIKPRO+PLUS produces a program, in Basic, to accomplish just what you want.

Incidentally, QUIKPRO+PLUS reporting features enable you to print reports with data on two lines if you need it. This gives you double the number of columns across the printer page which is very helpful on narrow printer capacities.

Let's make certain that we both understand what these programs are all about. First we described QUIKPRO

and gave you a very brief, condensed, look at the actual operating instructions for QUIKPRO. That was so you could see first hand how easy it is to run on your computer and create separate Basic Programs every time you want to do so.

Then we talked about QUIKPRO+PLUS...the result of requests for more automatic program writers. So what we have are the two versions of software which are designed to immediately write a new, unique Basic program for you whenever you have an application.

QUIKPRO writes programs for entering alphabetical and/or numerical data to individual file records. It allows you to run the program you created (or anyone else you appoint) on a matched computer model. You can do what you want to your file records using the program QUIKPRO wrote.

QUIKPRO+PLUS actually contains QUIKPRO, plus it gives you abilities to generate unique programs which, in addition to all the characteristics of Quikpro written programs, will allow you to do much more. When QUIKPRO+PLUS is used to automatically create a new Basic Program for you, the new program will also perform many kinds of computations for you on the data in your file. Further, you can print out all manner of reports in various arrangements with all kinds of calculations and/or file record data. (This assumes you have a printer of course). Printed reports need not conform to the arrangement (format) of data prescribed by the program....you can change it almost any way you wish without upsetting your original data or the program it runs on.

BOTH QUIKPRO and QUIKPRO+PLUS contain a dynamic feature called "Indexing". Indexing is important. Indexing allows you to access existing files and records which you put together previously using some filing program, perhaps such as Profile by Radio Shack. You do not have to do all your files over to use a QUIKPRO or QUIKPRO+PLUS written program to get at the data. The Indexing feature lets you easily run new programs and reports from existing data. Anyone with a substantial amount of previously generated files will really appreciate this thoughtful addition, at no charge, to both Quikprograms.

**HOW TO DECIDE** whether you need Quikpro or Quikpro+Plus...? It's really easy. If you want print out reports from your computer you will want the PLUS version. If you want to be able to perform various computations on data in your records, you want the PLUS version. If you don't want to do either of those, but still want lots of power and versatility for creating unique Basic programs to handle data of all kinds in many ways, you need QUIKPRO. However, you are not ever locked-in with QUIKPRO for you can always upgrade to the PLUS version at a later date. You only pay the difference between the two versions at the time you want to upgrade. Any registered owner of a Quikpro is allowed to trade up later on so there is no loss of money in starting out with the regular automatic program writer...QUIKPRO. You just decide on the basis of your planned uses.

AND SPEAKING OF USES FOR QUIKPROGRAMS.....

Here are a few of the thousands of applications you can do with QUIKPRO. Each one can be created in a few minutes. Never again buy a separate program...create it.

**BUSINESS USES**

Customer filing  
Prospect lists  
Master files for...  
    Gen. Ledger  
    Accts. Receiv.  
    Accts. Payable  
    Payroll Records  
    Personal data  
    Telephone logs  
    Telephone lists  
    Hotel/travel data  
    Reservations  
    Property control  
    Library catalogues  
    Inventory  
    Key Employee data  
    Advertising data  
    Source files  
    Sales leads  
    Mail lists  
    Private records  
    Corp. records  
    Directories  
    Billing information  
    Delivery schedules  
    Routes  
    Territories  
    Quotations  
    Appointments  
    Conventions  
    Workshop data  
    Assets lists  
    Marketing data  
    Insurance data  
    Pricing schedules  
    Formulas  
    Production data  
    Processes  
    Cross referencing  
    Commission records  
    General filing ....plus all the Educational/Home & Hobby overlaps

**EDUCATIONAL USES**

Student records  
Grade records  
Teacher lists  
School lists  
Program design  
Tuition data  
Enrollment data  
Property/equipment  
Athletic schedules  
Player assignment  
Games schedules  
Player statistics  
Mailing lists  
Test scores  
Menus  
Diet selections  
Inventory  
Seating charts  
Cataloguing  
Laboratory data  
Inspection data  
Experimental data  
Attendance data  
Course description  
Purchase orders  
Requisitions  
Vacation records  
Budgets  
Maintenance data  
Locker assignment  
Field trips  
Vehicle records  
Tenure records  
Parking assignment  
Violation records  
Meeting schedules  
Facility schedules

Plus all the Business/ Home & Hobby overlaps

**HOME & HOBBY USES**

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Check lists  
Club rosters  
Telephone directories  
Recipes files  
Medical information  
Property records  
Appliance warranties  
Insurance records  
Christmas lists/gifts  
Appointments  
Articles indexes  
Tax records/data  
Expenses  
Book ownership  
Utility records  
Deposit files  
Due dates  
Travel records  
Meal planning  
Mortgage data  
Auto records  
Crop yields  
Source files  
Magazine Article index  
Estimate files  
Investments

Plus all the Business & Educational overlaps



Not to mention the technical applications for scientific use, or branch location functions and tie-ins with main frames. Virtually unlimited applications.

People do have Questions about the remarkable QUIKPRO and we try to answer some of the key ones on the next page.....

Some GOOD QUESTIONS  
and STRAIGHT ANSWERS about

# QUIKPRO

and QUIKPRO+PLUS SOFTWARE

Q. What Kinds of programs can I create with QUIKPRO ?

A. QUIKPRO is a program generator program. It automatically writes Data Entry and File Maintenance programs which are unlimited in possibilities and essential to almost any program.

Q. Is QUIKPRO difficult to use...?

A. NO. Make that a double NO. Anyone who can turn on a computer can use QUIKPRO and create new custom programs. QUIKPRO asks the questions....writes the program for you; that's what it's all about. People who can't even turn on the computer can use the programs QUIKPRO creates...you just start it for them.

Q. How much time can I really save with QUIKPRO? No bull please.

A. Here are the straight facts. A program which could take five to twenty five hours of tedious detailing, can be created in 5 to 10 minutes. The purpose of QUIKPRO is to do all the File and Data Entry for you...automatically. It eliminates all that time and work.

Q. Is QUIKPRO really better than other Filing or Data Management programs? What makes it better?

A. Yes it's better, BECAUSE every time you quickly create a new program, it becomes a separate, self-standing program in BASIC. You can do anything and everything you want to it that you could do to such a program. You can List it, Modify it. It even reveals itself to you...shows you what makes it tick.

Q. How many programs can I write with QUIKPRO?

A. How many do you want to write..? We only know for sure about a few hundred different programs but we also know there are thousands possible. The applications come about as a result of what you want to do...your special needs or interests. You could write several programs per hour, ten hours a day, five days a week, for years to come. As many ideas as you have...that's how many programs you can write.

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To get your own QUIKPRO and start writing programs immediately, automatically, see inside cover.....

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Q. About printing reports with QUIKPRO+PLUS...can I print out some file data and not other data if I want...?

A. Certainly. You can select various data fields in the program and print only that data for each record. You can also print data from only certain records, according to criteria you establish. For instance if you wanted to list addresses of people in only certain states...or only certain data elements about them, you could. Or maybe you want a list of only stocks that were of a certain price range. Possibly you want a list of items located in a particular building, or bin. All kinds of selections of records and/or data entry fields can be made according to your needs.

Q. Can I perform calculations and reports at the same time...?

A. Yes, Yes. QUIKPRO+PLUS will write you a program that can perform calculations between various numerical fields in the record and print out your choice of the file data with the calculated results or just the results. Not only that, but remember the "screen mask" we discussed briefly? This lets you do numerous different reports including calculations, all from the same data base.

Now you are getting some idea of the power of this software to do things for you. Please don't lose sight of the fact that everything you want done is accomplished through a separate and unique program you created, quickly, using the QUIKPRO version suited to your applications. You can write as many different programs as you want, automatically, and each one will stand on its own and run for you, doing what you want.

Q. Will the reporting & calculating features allow me to get column totals...?

A. You bet. The flexibility of the Calculating Feature in the PLUS version will amaze you.

Q. With all this power and flexibility in QUIKPROGRAMS, what if I need help with an application of mine...?

A. If you already owned a Quikprogram, you would already be receiving QUIKLINE...the periodical newsletter of applications and discoveries about the endless possibilities for owners. As soon as you get Quikpro or Quikpro+Plus you will go on the mailing list for a full year, free, and get the benefit of know-how being developed all across the world. If that's not enough for you and you have a really tough job to do, we will help you by phone or mail as much as we can. Remember this too... the Quikprograms are designed to write your applications for you, step-by-step, with on-screen instructions. All you have to know is what you want done....the program automatically creates new software to do it for you. That's what it's all about. Just to prove how really easy they are to use, we have printed a few comments from owners of these programs on page 10. Take a look for yourself...see what others say about the ease of use.

**WHO CAN EFFECTIVELY USE QUIKPRO & QUIKPRO+PLUS...?**

Based on our mail and telephone calls, it seems that anyone operating a computer for Business, Education, Hobby, or Scientific purposes can benefit from the Quikprograms. Here is a tiny sampling of comments, unsolicited, received in the mails...

**From a GENERAL CONTRACTOR/CONSTRUCTION COMPANY owner:**

*"The program seems to be good and I must compliment you on the documentation. It is the best of its kind that I have seen."*

**From an INSURANCE AGENCY MANAGER:**

*"I would like to compliment you on what seems to be an excellent...program."*

**From a HOBBIEST USER out in Oklahoma;**

*"I thought I would drop a quick note about QUIKPRO. I have it running and it will do what I bought it for. I am very pleased with it...."*

**This from a Vice-President of a Federal Savings & Loan;**

*"In the past several weeks, I have used QUIKPRO software on four different programs. I am pleased with the results achieved so far. With your help over the telephone, I have created an /ISI file for a large data file that was already in existence, and the data file now works with an input program created by QUIKPRO."*

**And here's one from a TV REPAIR SHOP operator;**

*"I found your\*program to run well and easy to use."*

So maybe you can identify with some of these people and recognize the diversity of applications for the Quikprograms that automatically write new Basic programs for you.

What you want to do is known only to you. Chances are, QUIKPRO or QUIKPRO+PLUS can give you a lot of rewarding results in the shortest practical time. The ability to create new programs in a matter of minutes is hard to put a price on, isn't it? You could save hundreds of dollars on separate "canned programs" that even then are not tailored to your needs. At the same time, you can get the unique programs you do need and not spend hundreds of hours at the computer trying to write them. You write them "Quik-ly" and are ready to run.

**ORDER YOUR QUIKPRO or QUIKPRO+PLUS now by toll-free phone call for credit card holders, or by mail. If you own Quikpro now, give your registered owner number and pay only the difference for Quikpro+Plus.**

G U A R A N T E E

Order QUIKPRO or QUIKPRO+PLUS and run it on your computer. If not fully satisfied, return undamaged within 10 days of delivery and you will receive full refund of price paid (except shipping costs).

# ORDER FORM

HOW TO GET YOUR QUIKPRO PROGRAM(S):

You will receive, by mail or UPS, the correct Diskette matched exactly to your microcomputer...a handsome storage binder...a complete, illustrated Manual.

For COMPUTER MODEL	QUIKPRO	QUIKPRO +PLUS
TRS-80 Model I with Disk	\$ 89.00	\$ 149.00
TRS-80 Model II	\$ 129.00	\$ 189.00
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